

Millennium Pipeline-Westchester County, New York

Dear Secretary Evans:

I am writing to you to express my deep concern about a situation which has the potential to affect my home and my community.

I believe that despite this initial statement by NYDOS, the Dobbs Ferry/Irvington Crossing will threaten the Piermont Marsh Coastal Fish and Wildlife Habitat on the Rockland County side, and the Wickers Creek area at Dobbs Ferry.

Since the Tenneco Pipeline was built, townhouses, homes, and schools have literally sprung up and around the pipeline and now about the existing pipeline throughout Dobbs Ferry/Irvington. I am told that due to the dwelling density, several homes are at risk of condemnation. This will leave a scar on our communities. Additionally, Columbia Gas Transmission Co. claims that the pipeline is not constructable through the Dobbs Ferry/Irvington Crossing. I am also told that the Millennium Pipeline as proposed, while feasible, would receive NYDOS endorsement if it were two (2) relocated a mere mile north of the proposed route, and not at the Dobbs Ferry/Irvington Crossing.

While the U.S. Department of Commerce has been petitioned by Millennium to determine this project's consistency with the policies of CZMA, it is not appropriate to suggest that a solution is to create unacceptable impacts to my community when a viable route has already been established, and where other alternatives to be considered would have little or no impact.

In conclusion, I request that the Dobbs Ferry/Irvington alternative be withdrawn and not be considered either now, or in the future.

Very truly yours,



Arthur J. Semetis